QUICK REFERENCE: AERIAL SKETCH

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This document demonstrates how to import Aerial Sketch images and use them when creating a sketch for a roof diagram.

- Getting Started:

You will need access to Xactimate 27.3. There are two options to create from Aerial Sketch. You can either: 1) use the Aerial Images provided if using a Xactanalysis assignment or 2) load images of your own.

- How to use Aerial Sketch

Step 1- Import Image
Option 1: while in Sketch click on the Images button and then click on Aerial Images. This will allow you to import an aerial or satellite image of the actual home you are working with. Once you have selected the images you want, click OK for them to be saved into your project. Option 2: simply click on Load Images and upload your own image. The next step is to navigate to Aerial Sketch mode by clicking on the Aerial Sketch icon on the toolbar.

Step 2- Setup your Image. While in Aerial Sketch you can find your image in the Images Window on the left hand side and insert it into your sketch. To do so, right click and select Insert As Underlay. You can also use the Image Rotate icon to adjust the alignment of your underlay.
**Step 3- Draw the roof.** Now that you have your roof on your sketch, use the Aerial Sketch tools to trace the lines on the roof. The available tools are Draw Edge, Draw Flat Ridge, Draw Valley, Draw Hip Ridge, Create Faces, Set Orientation, and Create Sketch Roofs. Follow the tools left to right for best results. You’ll then see your created roof and the original underlay image side by side.

**Step 4- Finish the Image**
Exit Aerial Sketch mode by clicking on the X on the Aerial Sketch toolbar. You can make additional changes as necessary to your roof sketch at this point.